

## **Neighborhood Watch Monthly Newsletter**

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## **Tips On Parking In Residential Areas**

In Neighborhood Watch I am often asked about the ordinances associated with parking. Residents call frequently expressing concern for vehicles that haven't moved for days or so many vehicles parked that they can't see to get out of the driveway safely or vehicles parked too close to driveways, fire hydrants, intersections etc. It is important that all of us become educated on where, when and how to park in order to avoid accidents or tickets or unhappy neighbors.

In Chapter 8 Section 148 of the Sandy City Traffic Code it specifies that no person shall park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the law or the directions of a police officer or traffic control device in any of the following places:

- On a sidewalk area;
- In front of, within five feet of, or directly across from a public or private driveway;
- Within an intersection or within thirty feet of any intersection
- Within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant as measured in both directions along the street
- On a crosswalk:
- Within twenty feet of a crosswalk at an intersection or ten feet if crosswalk not at an intersection;
- Within thirty feet upon the approach to stop or yield signs or traffic control device located at the side of a roadway;
- Upon or within fifty feet of the nearest rail or a railroad crossing;
- With the left-hand side of the vehicle to the curb except as otherwise permitted on a one-way street;

Also, in Section 141 it states that no person shall park a vehicle on a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway, headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the right hand wheels of the vehicle within twelve inches of the curb of edge of the roadway.

Furthermore, questions often arise about parking campers or boats on the street. In Section 155 the answer is that it shall be unlawful to park, place, store, abandon, or otherwise leave any non-motorized vehicle or any unmounted or unattached camper, boat, boat trailer, utility trailer, camp trailer, or any other type of trailer, or any automobile hulk, on any public street, ally, sidewalk, or right-of-way at any time.

Finally, although we are still in the summer months, winter will be here before we blink. In the winter season other parking ordinances come into play. Section 153 discusses parking prohibited ordinances due to snow removal. It states;

- No person shall park a vehicle on any street from November 1 to April 30 for a period of time longer than 1 hour between the hours of 12:00 am and 7:00 am of any day except during emergency calls. Overnight parking on any street during the period herein specified, is hereby prohibited.
- No person shall park or leave a vehicle on any street during any snow storm nor shall such vehicle be parked on said street within twenty-four hours after the end of such storm.
- No person who owns or has possession, custody or control of any vehicle shall park said vehicle upon any street or ally for more than a consecutive period of 24 (twenty-four) hours.

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Sandy City Offenses	Flat Iron	Canyon	Dimple Dell	Bluff	Auto Mall	South Towne	Jordan	Historic	Total
Aggravated Assault	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	5
Alcohol Offenses	7	0	5	0	4	3	16	23	58
Animal Problems	2	4	2	1	2	3	1	5	20
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burglary	14	7	2	3	7	1	7	13	54
Death Calls	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	4
Disorderly	2	4	3	0	0	7	2	5	23
Domestics	9	6	3	5	15	4	10	28	80
Drug Offenses	8	0	3	1	1	3	21	33	70
Forgeries & Frauds	2	1	0	0	2	2	9	9	25
Homicides	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Problems	4	2	1	2	15	4	7	17	52
Kidnappings	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Property Offenses	18	14	14	4	25	10	35	34	154
Protective Orders	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	5
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Sex offenses	2	1	2	1	1	0	3	3	13
Simple Assault	6	5	3	2	11	3	16	25	71
Suspicious Calls	2	1	1	0	0	0	10	1	15
Theft	12	11	3	1	15	42	16	65	165
Threats	3	0	0	2	6	0	3	6	20
Traffic Crashes	17	3	5	1	19	13	47	35	140
Trespassing	0	0	1	0	3	0	4	6	14
Vehicle Burglary	14	1	1	2	9	6	15	19	67
Vehicle Theft	3	0	1	1	6	0	2	4	17
Warrant Service	4	4	2	0	4	5	21	26	66
Weapons Offense	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	3
Total	135	64	53	27	146	108	249	364	1,146

Flat Iron- 1300 E to the East border, North border to 9400 S; Canyon- 1300 E to the East border, 9400 S to the Gully; Dimple Dell- 1300 E to the East border, 10350 S to 11400 S; Bluff- 1300 E to the East border, 11400 S to South border; South Towne- West border to 1300 E, Gully to 10600 S; Auto Mall- West border to 1300 E, 10600 S to South border; Historic- West border to 1300 E, North border to 9000 S; Jordan- West border to 1300 E, 9000 S to the Gully